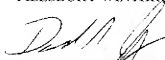


Applicants believe that the application, as amended, is now in condition for allowance of both claims remaining herein, claims 3 and 4. If the Examiner disagrees or believes that, for any other reason, direct contact with Applicants' attorney would help advance the prosecution of this case to finality, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

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